



## **Invitation to Participate: Speak Up 2010**

Calling all K-12 Students, Teachers, Administrators & Parents to Share Ideas & Views on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Education & Technology

Since 2003, over 1.85 million K-12 education stakeholders have participated in the annual Speak Up National Research Project which collects and reports on the authentic, unfiltered views and opinions of K-12 students, parents and educators on critical 21<sup>st</sup> century education issues.

Speak Up is facilitated by Project Tomorrow<sup>®</sup> (<u>www.tomorrow.org</u>). Data findings are shared each year with federal, state and local policymakers to inform education programs and funding.

## About Speak Up 2010

- All Indiana public and charter schools are pre-registered to participate in the online surveys.
- Online surveys will be open from October 18<sup>th</sup> through December 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Surveys available this year for: K-12 students, teachers, parents, school and district administrators, and college students enrolled in teacher preparation programs.
- Every K-12 school, district and school of education is eligible to participate in Speak Up. There is no fee to participate, or limit on the number of respondents. All information is 100% confidential. The surveys take less than 20 minutes to complete.
- Every participating school, district and college receives a free online report in February 2011
  aggregating all local data with national data to use for comparative benchmarking and local advocacy.
- Survey question topics include: learning and teaching with technology, 21<sup>st</sup> century skills, science/math instruction, career exploration, emerging technologies (such as Web 2.0, mobile devices, games, online learning and digital content), professional development, school-to-home communications, digital citizenship and investment recommendations for 21<sup>st</sup> century schools.
- Use Speak Up data to: advocate for national and state policies, programs & funding, inform your local plans, support grant proposals, engage your business community in new initiatives, learn about the ideas of your students and their parents. Be part of the national Speak Up momentum!
- **To learn more about Speak Up**, please visit <a href="www.tomorrow.org/speakup">www.tomorrow.org/speakup</a> or join the Speak Up 2010 Learning Community on the Learning Connection.

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